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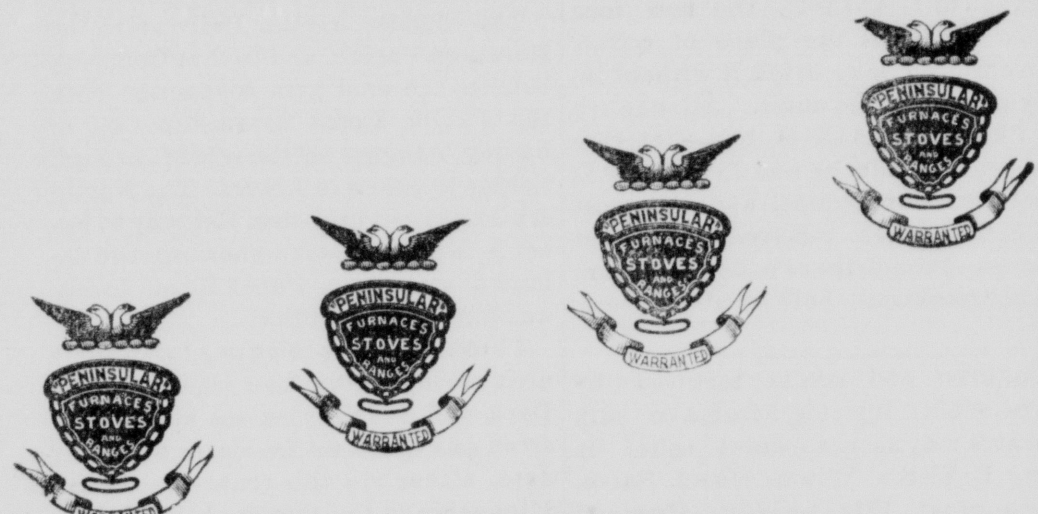
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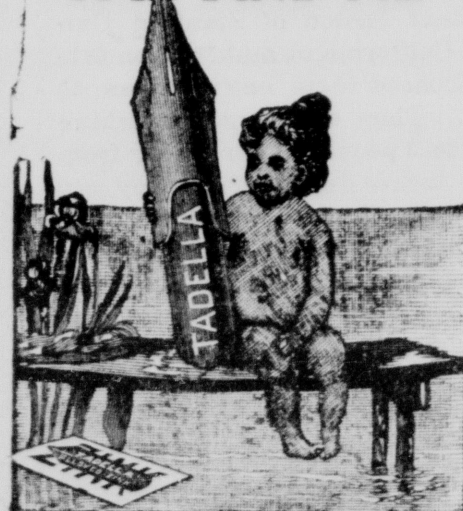
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—Court of Honor meets tonight.

—Atty. C. B. Morrison is in Sterling.

—A. M. Seavey was in from Prairieville.

—City election one week from next Monday.

—Attorney C. F. Preston is up from Pawpaw.

—I Will Council, Jr., O. U. A. M., meets tonight.

—Rucker Lodge, No. 493, I. O. O. F., meets tonight.

—Lloyd Burger of the Mound was in town yesterday.

—Advertisement changed this evening. C. Gonnerman.

—J. W. Crawford went east on an early morning train.

—Deputy Sheriff M. J. McGowan was in Sublette today.

—Owen L. Clayton of 516 West Third street, is very low today.

—George Blaine of South Dixon has been very ill for several days.

—Remember the supper at the Baptist church next Saturday evening.

—The Misses O'Hare and McFadden of Sterling were here last evening.

—Arthur M. Judd has sold to Josiah Fry a house and lot on North Dement avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curran went to Chicago yesterday to be absent several days.

—Theodore Mossholder, of the McWethy farm in Palmyra, is recovering from typhoid malaria.

—A license to marry has been procured by Frank A. Whitehouse and Miss Lillian M. Cropsey.

—Mrs. E. E. Bailey has returned to her home at Rock Falls after a week's visit with her husband and friends in this city.

—Miss Georgia Seniba of Galesburg, a college schoolmate of Miss Addie Crawford, is here to attend the funeral of her friend.

—Minnie Belle Rebecca Lodge will meet tomorrow evening. All members of the staff are requested to meet at 7:00 o'clock sharp.

—New 'phones on the County line have been placed as follows: Dr. Law's office, No. 58; Schweinsberg & Freidhoff's saloon, No. 222.

—Frank Galt was up from Sterling last evening and enjoyed a matinee with his Palmyra friends, Gus Demorest, Jule Williams and Mr. Book.

—A marriage license has been granted to Frank A. Whitehouse and Miss Lillian M. Cropsey, both of Dixon and aged twenty-four and nineteen respectively.

—Andrew Sandburg, the village blacksmith of Pine Creek, was in our city yesterday on business and to take dinner with his brother on Seventh street.

—We give today the conclusion of Prof. Chaplin's paper on the Relation between Parents and Teachers, read before the recent teachers' institute in this city.

—The first rehearsal for the play "Bottled Hypnotism" to be given for the benefit of the hospital will be held tomorrow evening at Mrs. Mary A. Nobles' home.

—A social will be held at the home of Mrs. Carrie L. Swigart on Thursday evening of this week for the benefit of the stove fund. A concert by telephone is in progress.

—The arc lights last night were shut off at ten minutes after eight o'clock on account of a break in the machinery. The lights were lighted up again at half past eleven.

—New Central Union telephones just placed are: Drs. Wynn & Paine's office, No. 48; Dr. B. D. Vaughan's office, No. 1; his residence, No. 41; George Cromwell, No. 115.

—William H. Rink has lost an account book that contains accounts of the past year's contract work and therefore is to him very valuable, but is of no use to anyone else. It is a pocket size, red, leather covered book, and he will gladly reward the finder.

—News reaches here of the death in Pennsylvania of William Abbott, formerly of Nachusa township, this county. His wife and their several children were with him in the east, where they had been visiting. Measles was the cause of his demise.

—Nicholas Mossholder, on his farm three miles south of Dixon, will on Thursday, March 3d, have a closing-out sale of horses, farm machinery and implements, and household furniture; he having rented his farm. The sale will begin at 10 o'clock a. m., with a free lunch at noon. D. M. Fahrney is the auctioneer.

VERY LATEST.

This Evening Telegraphic Dispatches by American Press Association.

SPANIARDS ARE UGLY!

Warning to American Citizens in Cuba—No Additional News From the Wrecked Vessel.

HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 23.—Great uneasiness exists among all American residents here on account of bitter feeling created by charges of some that the government of Spain had something to do with the blowing up of the battleship Maine. The colony of residents is rapidly thinning out, mostly by departures for home owing to the warding from General Lee that to remain is actually dangerous.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The Navy Department gives out no additional news this evening regarding affairs in Cuba and the destroyed battle-ship.

Ash Wednesday.

Today is Ash Wednesday, the commencement of the forty days of Lenten fast, preparatory for the Easter festival, a religious observance principally kept by the Catholic and Episcopal churches. The connection of the day with "ash," or ashes seems to have been that, according to the injunction of Pope Gregory the Great, in the sixth century, ashes, which had first been blessed, were sprinkled on the heads of worshippers, or the form of the cross or was traced with ashes upon their foreheads, one main object at first being to put them in remembrance that their bodies were but "dust and ashes." As on the same day notorious sinners, professing penitence, had to appear in church clothed in sackcloth, and with tears solicit absolution, repentance "in sackcloth and ashes" was also suggested and added a new significance to the day. At the time of the Reformation the law or practice which required applicants to be subjected to this severe discipline was swept away.

Miss Newland to Wed.

Miss Annie Louise Newland of Indianapolis, who has been the guest of Miss Gertrude Blackman, leaves for Bloomington tomorrow to visit with her aunt for a few days, and where she will be married to Mr. Harry E. McCallester, on Monday, Feb. 28th, at high noon. Miss Newland, who is a niece of John R. Carpenter of our city, is a very handsome and accomplished young lady, and is well known in Dixon, having visited here on several occasions, is one of the leading society ladies of Indianapolis.

Mr. McCallester, who is an eastern young man, is now one of the leading business men of Indianapolis, and is assistant manager of one of the largest dry goods houses in that city.

After an extended wedding trip they will return to Indianapolis to reside, where the groom has fitted up a magnificent residence and where they will be at home to their friends. THE TELEGRAPH joins with their many friends in wishing them the best of everything that life can give.

A Mixed Runaway.

A horse belonging to Charles Plein and a cutter belonging to W. S. McAlpine, or vice versa, was tied, that is, the horse was, in the Milk factory yard this morning when a train came in. The horse is not afraid of an engine on a regular track, but this engine over there in the woods looked as though it was looking for something to run over, and being an intelligent animal, he broke the hitching strap and got out of that. The cutter followed a short distance, but was soon broken to pieces and left behind. The last seen of the horse it was disappearing over the hill north toward Woosung.

Pleasant Club Dance.

More than half a hundred couple enjoyed a delightful dance at the Dixon Club rooms last night. That being the last function of the season until after the Lenten season is over, our society people embraced the opportunity to trip the light fantastic to their souls' (or sole's) delight. From all we can learn they accomplished that happy desire; prolonging the occasion nearly or quite into Ash Wednesday, with no thought of the manner of the ancient Roman of doing, as the Romans did, that is, asking that ashes be sprinkled upon their heads in penance. Perhaps they do not think of such a thing as being classed with penitents.

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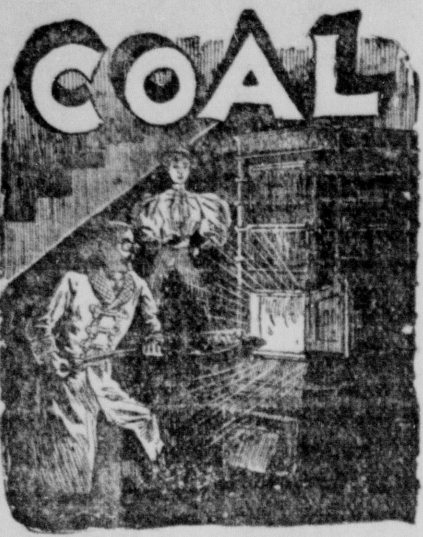
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LEE FEARS TROUBLE.

The Consul General Advises All Americans in Havana to Go Home.

DIVERS AT WORK ON THE MAINE.

Electric Lights from the Mangrove Are Now Available and Much Good Work Is Expected—Divers Not Yet Able to Reach the Ward and Mess Rooms, Where They Expect to Find Bodies—Plans for the Wrecking Expedition Completed.

New York, Feb. 23.—A dispatch to The World from Havana says: The situation tonight is more grave than at any time since the Maine explosion. Although the officers of the naval board of inquiry preserve an impenetrable reserve, The World correspondent learns that some of the best naval experts now believe that the explosion was the result of treachery. They do not believe that Spanish officials were part of the conspiracy. From the evidence now in their possession they believe the Spanish government, General Blanco, and all his military subordinates were guiltless alike of knowledge of or participation in the crime. It is believed to have been perpetrated by a fanatic.

Fears of Naval Officers.

Naval officers fear that when the facts are known it may be impossible to restrain public sentiment. They do not expect any public revelations, or any radical change in the situation for a week. Consul General Lee formally advised Americans to quit Havana. They say he anticipates rioting there in the event of the Maine disaster being adjudged intentional.

FOUR DIVERS AT WORK.

They Have a Laborious Task on the Wrecked Battleship Maine.

Havana, Feb. 23.—The court of inquiry investigating the Maine explosion opened at 10:30 and took a recess at 12:30. Lieutenant G. F. W. Holman, navigator and ordnance officer of the Maine, was examined at the morning session. The court met for the afternoon session at 1:30, and Lieutenant Commander R. Wainwright, executive officer of the Maine, was called to the witness stand. Lieutenant Commander Wainwright has been in immediate charge of the wreck since the explosion. Four divers are at work, two in the fore part of the ship and the others aft. The task is most laborious, and the men are naturally extremely careful, as they have had to work in complete darkness, and several have had bad falls. Electric lights from the mangrove are now available and much good is expected from them.

Nearly all the possible salvage has now been made from the cabin aft. The efforts to reach the ward and mess rooms are frustrated by some unknown obstacle. It is expected to find bodies in those rooms. Two cases of ten-inch ammunition have been found, the one having exploded, the other full of powder. These were found forward. The work of securing the bodies under the hatch has been most difficult in the dark, but it is hoped that the electric lights will be of great assistance. The bodies are much mutilated and some are partially buried. The officers of the court of inquiry paid another visit to the wreck yesterday. Captain Sampson, after the visits of the members of the court to the captain general and Admiral Manterola, said the reception extended them had been polite and cordial. The captain general and admiral expressed deep sympathy and the hope that nothing would interfere to prevent a thorough investigation. They offered to give any help in their power. Captain Sampson referred to the visits as "tending to promote a better understanding."

Among the salvage were the table ware and the silver service belonging to the Maine. George W. Koebeler, of Brooklyn, died yesterday at the military hospital. All the other injured show some improvement. La Lucha in an editorial comments upon the "unfairness of the United States in making Captain Sigsbee the adviser and assistant of the court of inquiry." The editorial is evidently based on incorrect information from the United States as naval officers here say it is impossible under the circumstances to have courts of inquiry, that the captain commanding the ship destroyed should have anything to do with the findings of the court, being in one sense on trial himself. It is made Captain Sigsbee's duty to give all the testimony as to the facts in his possession. La Lucha claims also that the court of inquiry is not constituted as it would be by any other of the great powers, but in this particular the paper is evidently laboring under further misinformation.

FOR RELIEF OF THE MAINE.

Wrecking Boats and Divers To Be Sent to Havana at Once.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The plans of the wrecking expedition for the relief of the Maine were completed yesterday after long conferences between Secretary Long and the representatives of the Merritt & Chapman company, of New York, and the Boston Tow Boat company. The companies had expected to begin work in Havana harbor in about a week, but at the last moment Secretary Long insisted that a provision should be made for sending forward at once at least one large wrecking boat with divers and equipment. This was agreed to and a dispatch was sent to the captain of the sea wrecker Right Arm, now at Key West, to suspend his private work there and proceed at once to Havana. At the same time a dispatch was sent to the New York offices of the company to send two of the most experienced divers and wreckers on the Right Arm.

The commander of the Right Arm is ordered to place himself with his divers and machinery under the orders of Cap-

tain Sigsbee, who thus will be free to avail himself of their services in the recovery of bodies or any particularly desirable piece of equipment or property before the regular operations begin. These are emergency steps which precede the main wrecking expedition, which will be outfitted at Boston, New York and Norfolk, with a view to beginning extensive operations within a week.

The terms of the contract as concluded and signed provide for the payment to the wrecking companies of the sum of \$871 per day for their regular plant and an additional payment of \$500 per day for the use of the Monarch while the latter is actually employed. An express provision is made that the government may terminate the contract at any moment. It is also provided that the compensation shall not exceed the sum of money (\$200,000) appropriated by congress for this purpose in the joint resolution passed Monday. Finally, it is provided that if the companies succeed in raising the Maine and towing her to New York they shall receive a bonus of \$100,000.

CRAMP SEES PHOTOGRAPHS.

What the Ship Builder Says of the Explosions on the Maine.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—A number of photographs of the wrecked battleship Maine, taken soon after the explosion occurred, were submitted to Charles H. Cramp yesterday for expert opinion. After carefully examining them Mr. Cramp said:

"After seeing the pictures I am more undetermined than ever as to the real cause of the disaster. The appearance of the wreck indicates that there were two or more terrific explosions. One thing is certain, if the wreck is as bad below the water as it appears to be above, and the inference is natural that the portion covered by the water is in a worse state than that above, the government will never be able to raise the torn and twisted mass of steel except by the use of coffer dams. In my opinion the proposition to raise what is left of her with pontoons is impracticable, and the building of coffer dams is absolutely necessary."

Admiral Bunce Returns Visit.

New York, Feb. 23.—Admiral Bunce, commandant of the navy yard, returned the official visit of Captain Bulate, of the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya yesterday. Admiral Bunce was accompanied by his two aides, Captain Gilmore and Lieutenant Ward. They left the navy yard on board the commandant's barge Undine and steamed down the bay. The three officers wore their full dress uniforms. The visit was altogether formal.

Collection of Ammunition.

New York, Feb. 23.—The first of the expected projectiles from the Carpenter Steel works arrived at the Brooklyn navy yard yesterday. There were about 2,000 of them for the six, eight and ten inch guns of the cruisers and battleships. A number of torpedo heads from New England manufacturers are expected today. "The collection of ammunition," said an ordnance officer, "does not mean that we expect immediate war. These supplies were ordered some months ago."

Ordered To Be in Readiness.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—Major General Snowden, commander of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, has issued general orders to every officer in the state to recruit his command up to the full quota required by law. The orders were issued five days ago with instructions that they be kept a profound secret. The officers were instructed to have their men ready to march fully armed and equipped at twenty-four hours' notice.

Ready for Active Service.

Otsego, Mich., Feb. 23.—The Otsego Sportsmen's association wired the war department yesterday afternoon as follows: "Have enrolled one full company of able-bodied young riflemen for active service in case of American-Spanish war, and can double the number if required in twenty-four hours' time." The present officers are: E. R. Conrad, captain; Dr. C. P. Hubley, first lieutenant; J. F. Conrad, second lieutenant.

Military Companies Organizing.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 23.—The city executive committee of the American Protective Association met yesterday and Deputy State President Taylor sent a telegram to Washington offering to the government the services of the entire membership of 1,000 in this district, in the event of hostilities. Organization of four military companies has been under way here during the past twenty-four hours.

Order for Hotchkiss Guns.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 23.—The American ordnance of Bridgeport, Conn., has received by telegraph from its vice president at Washington an order for forty rapid-firing six-pounder Hotchkiss guns. The order is for quick delivery and the guns will all be delivered in about three months.

NEW YORK CHARTER DAY.

Proposed Programme for a Three Days' Celebration.

New York, Feb. 23.—At the meeting of the charter day committee the programme for the three days' celebration, as at present outlined, was submitted to ex-Mayor Thomas F. Gilroy, chairman of the plan and scope committee.

It has been decided that the celebration shall continue three days, May 3, 4 and 5. The first day it is proposed to have a naval parade, followed in the evening by literary and historical exercises in a number of halls throughout the boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn. There are to be fireworks of a symbolic character in the public squares. The second day, which it is expected, will be a legal holiday throughout the state, there will be a military parade, a grand reception and a ball in the evening, with fireworks in the public squares. The third day there is to be a parade of the commercial and industrial men, with a banquet in the evening. It is believed that the programme will eventually be adopted without much change.

Two Victims of a Wreck.

Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 23.—The bodies of the two men supposed to be from the ill-fated schooner Marcellus, of Seaport, Me., which was wrecked off Dover's Neck during the blizzard of Feb. 1, were discovered on the beach yesterday a few hundred yards from where the wreckage came ashore. Both bodies were badly decomposed and could not be identified.

IMPORTANT ARREST.

Alleged Ripley County, Indiana, Lynchers Taken into Custody.

OTHER ARRESTS ARE TO FOLLOW.

C. H. Hughes, Superintendent of the County Infirmary and a Prominent Citizen Is the Man Who Is Now Under Arrest—People of Ripley County in a High State of Excitement at the Sudden Turn of Events.

Versailles, Ind., Feb. 23.—C. H. Hughes, superintendent of the county infirmary and a very prominent citizen, residing five miles south of Versailles, was arrested by Constable Jesse Hunter, of Cross Plains, on the following warrant:

"State of Indiana, Ripley county, ss: To any constable of Ripley county: You are hereby commanded to arrest C. H. Hughes and bring him forthwith before me at my office to answer to having, in said county, on or about the 15th of last September, 1897, purposely and with premeditated malice, killed one Henry Shuter, contrary to the statutes in such cases made and provided, against the peace and dignity of the state of Indiana, as James Mount has complained under oath, and have you then and there this writ.

"W. M. CRAIG, J. P."

Warrant for Arch Wright.

This writ bears date Feb. 21, 1898. Constable Hunter also has a warrant for the arrest of Arch Wright, formerly bartender for the Hotel Norwood, at Osceola, but who now resides in Chicago, having gone there after an attempt to assassinate him, some two weeks ago. A large number of witnesses have been subpoenaed from Osceola and Versailles. The preliminary trial was held yesterday afternoon at Cross Plains. At this hour these are all the warrants that have been issued. Other arrests, however, are likely to be made at any time.

The affidavits were filed before William R. Craig, justice of the peace here. Immediately warrants were issued for Arch Wright, a bartender in a saloon at Osceola, and Hezekiah Hughes, superintendent of the county poor farm. Hughes was arrested early yesterday morning, but has not yet been brought here. Witnesses in these two cases have been subpoenaed to appear here today, when the preliminary trial will be held. Wright is reported to have left for Chicago a week ago, but the state, it is believed, will produce him, and there is a rumor that he will turn state's evidence.

Want Thirteen Men in All.

Warrants have been prepared for the arrest of thirteen men in all, and the men, according to present plans, are to be brought in from day to day. Attorney General Ketcham is here and will stay all the week. The justice before whom the warrants have been sworn out is a plain, honest, determined man, who says he is doing only his duty as a sworn officer of the law. The county is just beginning to learn of the presence of the state's representative here and excitement is at high pitch.

The governor and the attorney general could not have had a more out-of-the-way place from which to operate. The correspondent reaching there from the nearest point driving fourteen miles over roads without bottoms. The plans of the state have been well-matured, and Attorney General Ketcham feels confident of vindicating the honor of the state.

MYSTIC KREWE OF KOMUS.

One of the Most Gorgeous Pageants Ever Seen in New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—Last night the Mystic Krewe of Komus appeared on the streets with one of the most gorgeous and at the same time interesting pageants that has ever appeared in New Orleans. The theme was "Shakespeare" and all the familiar characters and plays were pictured with a faithfulness and splendor unsurpassed. After the parade the Mystic Krewe entertained with a grand ball at the French Opera House.

Rex entertained his loyal subjects with a ball at the Imperial palace, which was gorgeously decorated. The throne was erected at one end of the spacious ball room and decorated in the royal colors and garnet and ermine. The king, Charles A. Farwell, a well-known sugar planter, chose as his queen Miss Noel Forsythe, a beautiful young woman, who graced her high position as though she had been born to the purple. Both balls were thronged and were immense social successes.

DYING REQUEST GRANTED.

Funeral Services Over the Remains of Miss Willard at Churchville, N. Y.

Churchville, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Funeral services over the remains of Miss Frances E. Willard were held in this village at 11 o'clock yesterday. The special train conveying the remains and the officers of the national organization arrived at 10 o'clock and the body was taken immediately to the Congregational church. It was Miss Willard's dying request that her body should be brought here on the way to Evanston.

The procession through the village was very large and passed the cottage on Main street where Miss Willard was born. The services were of a simple character. Brief addresses were made by the pastor of the church, and by Mrs. Barker, national treasurer of the W. C. T. U. At the close of the services the body was taken at once to the railroad station where a special train was in waiting to carry the funeral party to Chicago.

Reception to Ambassador White.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The reception of the United States ambassador, Andrew D. White, yesterday in honor of Washington's birthday was attended by about 300 members of the American colony here. The German-American society costume ball took place at night.

Killed by a Premature Explosion.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—The premature explosion of a charge of dynamite yesterday in a stone quarry at Sixty-sixth and Vine streets killed three Italians workmen, Mike De Sando, Franz De Sando and Mike Hornburth.

Household Coods

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the Gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of the throat, chest and lungs, it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure or money returned. No household should be without this good angle. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at A. H. Tillson Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00 2

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HAWAII THRUST ASIDE

Cuba Comes Up in the Executive Session of the Senate.

DOCUMENT PRESENTED BY MORGAN

It Consisted of Questions by the Senator and Replies by Mr. Koop, a Boston Capitalist Who Has Recently Returned from Cuba—Quiet Celebration of Washington's Birthday at the Capital—Bill to Increase the Artillery Passed by the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Cuba usurped the place of Hawaii in the executive proceedings of the senate yesterday and was under consideration for an hour or more. This proceeding was based upon a document presented by Senator Morgan of Alabama as the result of an interview between himself and a Mr. Koop, of Boston. In presenting the document Senator Morgan said that Mr. Koop was a capitalist who had but recently returned from Cuba after a most exhaustive exploration of the island. Senator Morgan laid considerable stress upon the importance of the document which resulted from a stenographic report of the interview between Senator Morgan and Mr. Koop. The document consisted of questions by Senator Morgan and replies by Mr. Koop. The latter said that he had been in thirty-four provinces and had spent more or less time in each of them in the prosecution of his inquiries.

Dying in Great Numbers.
No place outside of Havana, he said, was any effort made to take care of the reconcentrados, and he declared that the people were dying in great numbers in all places in which they had been collected together by the Spanish authorities, both as a result of the cruelty of the Spanish troops and for the lack of food. He declared that there was no evidence in the provinces of a more liberal treatment of these unfortunate people under the administration of General Blanco than there had been under the Weyler regime, and said that the people in general were in just as deplorable condition now as they had been before the change. In no case were the reconcentrados allowed to go outside the military posts to collect food, and while there was some effort in certain instances to grow crops in the immediate vicinity of the garrisons these crop areas did not extend more than 500 yards from the forts. He added that if the people were allowed to get out they could get enough to eat to keep soul and body together, but that when even small children attempted to go outside of the guard lines they were shot down as ruthlessly as if they were enemies in arms. He said that he had seen women and children abused by the Spanish soldiery and that a favorite pastime seemed to be to kick the women about as if they were dogs.

Autonomy a Failure.
Mr. Koop also devoted considerable space to Senator Morgan's suggestion to the scheme of autonomy under the Liberal ministry and pronounced it a failure from one end of the island to another. He said that business was at a standstill throughout the country, that few crops were growing and that desolation and ruin stared the traveler in the face wherever he went. As a consequence property was much depreciated in value and the people were greatly discouraged. He said that the general estimate was that the war had already resulted in the loss of 600,000 lives and Mr. Koop himself did not consider these figures exaggerated. There was some comment upon the document by Senators Morgan, Gallinger and Mason, but no official action was taken. Senator Mason said the statement was no more than he had expected to hear, and Senator Gallinger declared that the picture drawn was a deplorable one. He said that two years ago he had advised that the United States should intervene to put a stop to the war and that every development since had confirmed the wisdom of the suggestion then made.

WASHINGTON'S NATAL DAY.
Celebration at the National Capital Was Very Quiet.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The celebration of Washington's birthday at the capital was unusually quiet. The departments were closed except the navy department where a few officials remained to handle urgent business in connection with the Maine disaster. The principal street parade was that of the High School Cadet regiment, which was reviewed by Assistant Secretary Meikeljohn, General Nelson A. Miles, the district commissioners, a large party of senators and representatives and officers from all the regular army posts in and about the city. Various local militia companies also paraded for their own edification. Of the indoor meetings, the most interesting was that of the Sons of the American Revolution, where, after a spirited contest, two resolutions containing references to Cuba and the Maine disaster were both voted down. The Oldest Inhabitants association held its annual meeting and read the Declaration of Independence as has been its custom on this day from time immemorial. The Washington Monument association, whose members are the official guardians of the great white shaft, held its usual meeting and re-elected officers. The Daughters of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution also met and signalized the day by appropriate exercises.

Congress in Brief.
Washington, Feb. 23.—In the senate Hawley reported the bill for the increase of the artillery arm of the army by two regiments. It was passed. Under the latitude allowed in general debate on appropriation bills Johnson (Rep.) of Indiana created somewhat of a sensation in the house by an emphatic speech opposing Hawaiian annexation.

Bill for Settlement of War Claims.
Washington, Feb. 23.—The house committee on war claims has asked for a rule setting apart a day during this month for the consideration of the bill authorizing the secretary of war to investigate and provide for the payment of all claims for use and occupation of

church and school buildings and grounds for government purposes by the United States military authorities during the late war and all damage claims resulting from government use of furnishings or materials in those buildings.

Relief for Starving Cubans.
Washington, Feb. 23.—Hon. Charles Russell, assistant United States attorney in the department of justice, has received a letter from United States Consul Barker at Sagua La Grande, Cuba, acknowledging the receipt of relief money for the starving inhabitants of the island. Mr. Russell investigated conditions on the island last fall and about two weeks ago received a letter from Consul Barker appealing for supplies.

Granting of Arid Lands.
Washington, Feb. 23.—Representative Shafroth, of Colorado, introduced a bill yesterday granting to the respective states in which they are situated all arid lands of the United States not held for military or Indian reservations or other public purposes. These are defined to be lands not mineral, which will produce agricultural crops only by artificial irrigation.

Battleship George Washington.
Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate yesterday passed a resolution directing the committee on naval affairs to ascertain if a ship to be equal to any in the world and to be named the George Washington can be built within one year in United States shipyards.

President in Washington Again.
Washington, Feb. 23.—The president, accompanied by Secretary Porter, returned to Washington last evening.

TWO PRESIDENTS MAY MEET.

United States and Mexican Executives Invited to Pittsburgh.
Pittsburg, Feb. 23.—Pittsburg may have the pleasure of entertaining the executives of the two greatest republics of the American continent. Some time ago an invitation was extended to President Diaz to include Pittsburg in his itinerary through the United States. To this a most favorable response was made, and now an effort is being made to have him here March 19, the date of the Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet. There is every reason to believe that this invitation, too, will be favorably acted upon. An invitation has been extended to President McKinley, and, as the president generally accepts Pittsburg's invitations, it is not improbable that among the guests at the banquet table will be the two presidents.

SCORES SALVATION ARMY.

Kansas City Clergymen Object to the Methods of Gen. Booth.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 23.—At the regular weekly meeting of the Congregational ministers General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, who is touring this country, and his army were made the subject of an attack by Dr. James G. Dougherty, of the First Congregational church of Kansas City, Kas. The sentiment expressed by Mr. Dougherty was later endorsed by the other ministers present. General Booth has left for Denver after holding a three days' revival in this city. Some remarks reported to have been uttered by the leader during his stay here led to the discussion.

Will Meet Next in Chicago.
Cincinnati, Feb. 23.—The executive committee of the International Association of Distributors, which is an organization of persons engaged in the distribution of signs and other forms of general advertising has by a vote taken by mail, decided to hold the next annual meeting in Chicago, July 19 to 22 next. The vote was received yesterday by W. H. Steinbrenner, chairman, of this city. Joseph Reed, of Kansas City, is president of the association.

Suicide of a Secretary of Legation.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—Senhor H. Ventura, secretary of the Portuguese legation here, has committed suicide here by shooting himself with a revolver at the house of a lady with whom he had quarreled.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS

Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone have gone to Bournemouth.
Shortstop Herman Long thinks Boston will again win the pennant.
Six horses have been declared out of the Suburban handicap, among them Requit.
Senator White, of California, has stated that he will not be a candidate for re-election.
Bob Armstrong defeated Yank Kenney in five rounds at the America Athletic association.

The plan to hypnotize Murderer Moshik when he is executed at St. Paul March 18 has been given up.
Spain has nine powerful warships at the Philippine islands ready to sail for Cuba at an hour's notice.

The Irish local government bill was presented in the British house of commons and passed to second reading.
Scurvy has developed among the miners at Denver to such an extent that there are now seventeen cases in the public hospital.

Dr. Squarrell is reported to be meeting with great success in Brazil in his work of preventing and curing yellow fever by his new serum.

Newbold H. Trotter, of Media, Pa., the well-known animal painter, died at Atlantic City, N. J., after a three weeks' illness. He was 70 years old.

The British battleship Victorious, which was ashore for some time off Port Said, necessitating her being lightered, has safely traversed the canal.

Mayor Van Wyck refused to speak to Captain Eulate, of the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya, when the latter formally called upon him as the official head of the New York city government.

John Mulligan, president of the Connecticut River railroad and one of the best-known railroad men of New England, died at his home in Springfield, Mass., of diabetes, aged 78 years.

A bomb was exploded at Montpellier, France, at the residence of M. Messine, a former president of the chamber of commerce. Serious damage was done, but there was no loss of life.

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Illinois Press association has opened in Odd Fellows' hall at Springfield. President Charles M. Linney, of Virginia, delivered the annual address.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS BRIEFED.

Amos E. Eno, proprietor of the Fifth Avenue hotel at New York, is dead, aged 83 years.

It has been estimated that there are between 150 and 200 women who are practicing dentistry in the United States.

Captain Sigbee, of the Maine, announces that the naval board has decided to observe strict secrecy on the testimony before it.

Nearly 1,200,000 pounds of colors are used by the United States government annually for printing paper money, revenue and postage stamps.

Mrs. Elizabeth Goom, aged 50, widow of Job Goom, an old soldier, was adjudged insane at Rhinelander, Wis., and committed to the Northern hospital.

John Drake, a farmer living near Eau Claire, Wis., was badly injured in a runaway in that city, his team dashing into a telegraph pole. He is in a precarious condition.

It is understood that, if the administration finds Spain is responsible for the loss of the Maine, that nation will be required to pay from \$13,000,000 to \$15,000,000 indemnity.

While following the deerhounds, near Aiken, S. C., Mrs. William C. Whitney, wife of ex-Secretary of the Navy Whitney, was knocked from her horse and quite seriously hurt.

A plank thrown from a saw in a mill at Eaton, near Wausau, Wis., struck a young man named Karl Bucholz in the breast and inflicted injuries from which he died a few hours later.

M. Phisalix, the French authority on the venoms of insects and reptiles, has established that the poison of the hornet in sufficient quantity renders one immune to that of the viper.

Falch cure doctors are not entitled to recover remuneration for their services. At least it was so held by a Baltimore judge, on the ground that the patients of such physicians receive no apparent benefit from their attention.

Reception to President Dole.
San Francisco, Feb. 23.—Hon. Sanford B. Dole, president of the Republic of Hawaii, was tendered a public reception at the chamber of commerce.

Captain Charles Nelson, vice president of the chamber, welcomed him to the rooms and introduced Hon. James D. Phelan. President Dole was presented by Mayor Phelan to the audience. Following him was an address by Hon. Irving M. Scott and this concluded the formal ceremonies. General Shafter was represented by his staff officers and a detail of officers from the United States cruiser Mohican represented the navy.

Harrison's Boom Launched.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 23.—The Peoria Democratic club celebrated Washington's birthday last night at the National hotel by a banquet at which Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, was the principal speaker, and which was generally regarded as the launching of his gubernatorial boom, so far as the state outside of Chicago is concerned. Five hundred guests were present. The Kickapoo club, the leading Republican organization of central Illinois, celebrated Washington's birthday last night by a banquet at the Hotel Fey. Two hundred were present.

Ex-Banker on Trial.

LaCrosse, Wis., Feb. 23.—The trial of ex-Banker John Lienlokken began here. A jury was secured without much difficulty and District Attorney John E. McConnell concluded his opening address to the jury before noon. Lienlokken, who for many years conducted a private bank here, assigned Sept. 26, 1896. In August Lienlokken was arrested on complaint of George L. Short, who charged him with accepting a sum of money on deposit on Sept. 5, 1896, knowing his bank to be insolvent.

Ohio Coal Trust Perfected.

Detroit, Feb. 23.—The Ohio coal trust was perfected here yesterday under the name of the Central Coal and Coke company. It is incorporated under the laws of Ohio and its headquarters will be Columbus. The capital stock is \$200,000, but this is a nominal figure, and the real capitalization is not yet known. It is understood that prices will be raised and that the coal carrying roads in Ohio will be allowed an increase in rates after the settlement of the proposed strike of miners in eastern Ohio, which is scheduled for April 1.

Wisconsin Bar Association.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 23.—The meeting of the State Bar association was simply attended owing to the blockades on the railroads. Burr W. Jones was selected to act as secretary in the absence of ex-Senator W. F. Vilas. President Seaman of Milwaukee read his address and Carl C. Pope of Superior read a paper on "Equity in Criminal Laws." Professor Charles H. Gregory read his paper on "Government by Injunction."

Mrs. Whitney Resting Well.

Aiken, S. C., Feb. 23.—Mrs. William C. Whitney, who was thrown from her horse yesterday, is resting well and shows a marked improvement. A slight concussion of the spine is the most serious symptom. Dr. Hull, of New York, reached here on a special train to attend Mrs. Whitney.

Boyhood Companion of Lincoln Dead.

Hodgenville, Ky., Feb. 23.—Austin Gollaher died yesterday, aged 93 years. Gollaher was the boyhood companion of Abraham Lincoln. They were born on adjoining farms and attended school together. Gollaher saved Lincoln at the risk of his own life from drowning.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago, Feb. 22.
It being Washington's birthday and a legal holiday the exchanges throughout the country were closed and no quotations on grain were given out.

Chicago Produce.

Chicago, Feb. 22.
Produce: Butter—Extra creamery, 19c per lb; extra dairy, 17c; fresh packing stock, 10½c. Eggs—Fresh stock, 14c per doz. Dressed Poultry—Turkeys, 9½c per lb; chickens, 7½c; ducks, 6½c. Potatoes—Common to choice, 52¢ to 64¢ per bu. Sweet Potatoes—Illinois, \$2.00 to 2.75 per bin.

East Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 22.
Dunning & Stevens, Live Stock Commission Merchants, East Buffalo, N. Y., quote as follows: Cattle—Light supply; market steady. Hogs—Receipts, 16 cars; market lower. Yorkers, \$4.25 to 4.27½; light, \$4.20; pigs, \$4.00 to 4.15; skips, \$3.10 to 3.50; others, \$4.27½ to 4.50. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 11 cars, including fold-overs; market dull but steady.

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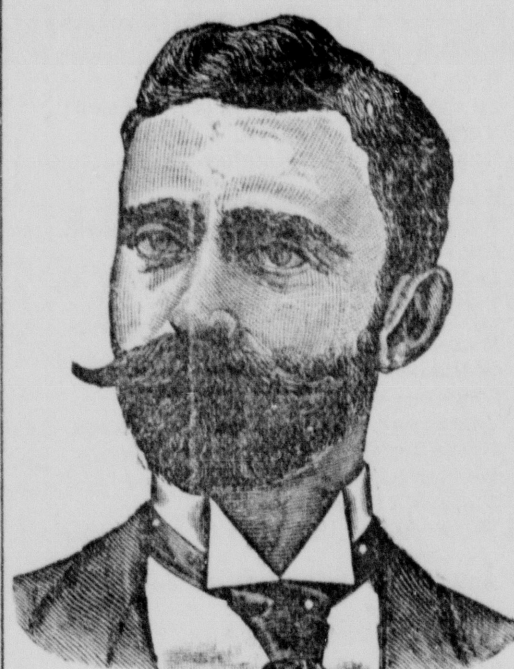
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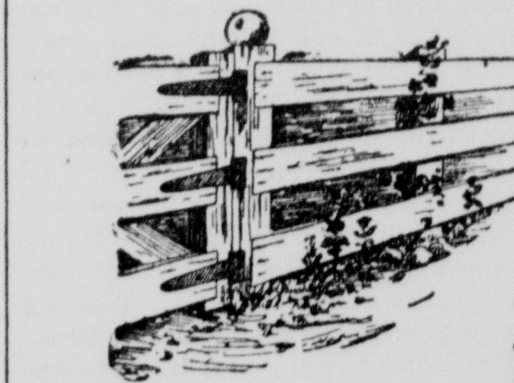
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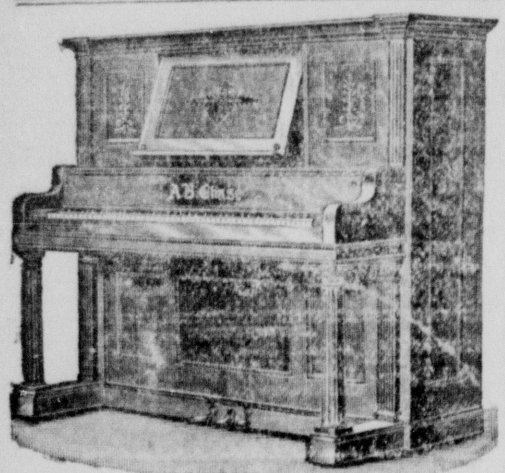
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SPECT, and all notices pertaining to socials
where an admission fee is charged or articles
are offered for disposal.

Ode to the Death of Frances E.
Willard.

[Among the many tributes to America's un-
crowned Queen, the following, sent us by a
former Dixon young lady, is not unworthy of
preservation:]

Bury the great Reformer,
To the sound of a world's lamentation;
Bury the great Willard
Midst the grief of a mighty Nation.

No martial tread nor sound
With the grief for our heroine blended,
Above a warrior strife,
In the heat of the conflict of life,
The days of our heroine ended.

Dull on our souls falls the pain
Of the loss we all of us dreaded;
Sooner or later must come
This change for advantage of Heaven.
In the anguish of love passed away
We confound to decay
The soul as the clay:

We weep for the fears of what we must
lose,
And fall to believe that time does not
choose
Its power on mortality only.

Slowly and sadly we bury our dead,
Nor talk of the spirit immortal;
We carve here a line, we raise here a stone,
And call it our loved one's last portal!

Yet He who leadeeth the spirit of men
And orders the simplest unfolding,
He plucketh the fruitage and tempereth
thereon
The keenness the vacancy leaves us.

Stern tide of life! Mysterious changes for
mortals,
Period of honor, period of woes—
What a triumph thy life as it closes!

Bury the great Leader
With a world's lamentations,
Bury the great Willard
Midst the grief of all Christian Nations!

DELLA ROBINSON KING.

SCOTLAND, S. D.,
Feb. 18, 1898.

Ditch in Marion and Harmon.

Work on the drainage ditch in Ma-
rion and Harmon townships in Lee
county is progressing rapidly. The
dredge is now within a half mile of the
road running south through the village
of Harmon. It is quite a sight to
watch the work on this ditch. Work
was commenced on the last of Decem-
ber with the dredge and they have now
gone two miles. They have some-
thing over five miles to go yet. Two
different shifts of men are at work, one
working at daytime and the other at
night. The work is being done by a
steam shovel, which digs a ditch eight
feet deep and thirty feet wide. The
shovel is built on a flatboat with a cov-
ering over it.

Where the ditch is being built the
land is a low marsh, where water
stands a number of feet deep in the
wet season. As fast as the dirt is
thrown out by the steam plow the wa-
ter rushes in, and so the boat floats
along as fast as the ditch is opened up.
At the rear of the flatboat on which is
the steam shovel, is a houseboat in
which the men live.

This ditch is being built just two
miles north of the big ditch and it runs
parallel with it for a number of miles
and finally empties into it. The big
ditch is nothing more than the Green
river which is being widened and deep-
ened.—Sterling Gazette.

Service at St. Luke's.

Tonight at St. Luke's church the
last of the four Ash Wednesday serv-
ices will be held. It will consist of
Evening Prayer with a sermon by the
Rector and music by the full choir.
Tomorrow, St. Matthias Day, there is to
be a celebration of the Holy Com-
munion at 10:30 a. m. and Evening
Prayer at 4:30 p. m. On Tuesday even-
ings during Lent a course of sermons
has been arranged to be preached by
visiting clergy from the cities. The
subjects are: "What is the Church?",
"Why is the Church?", "Where is the
Church?" and "Loyalty to the
Church." There will also be an organ
recital by the Choir-master, S. Wesley
Martin, assisted by Master Charles
Finley, the boy soprano soloist, of St.
Chrysostom's church, Chicago. These
services are in addition to the other
Lenten services which occur daily.

Letters and Postal Cards Unclaimed
at Postoffice.

Albert Baron, Miss Fannie Berch,
Mrs. Eva B. Fletcher, J. W. Hare,
Miss Vera Harris, Byron O. Herring-
ton, Mrs. W. A. Heintzelmar, N. B.
Maxwell (2), Frank McKenna, Ed.
Milam, G. W. Peck, John M. Pingrey,
Miss Lizzie Robenstein, Mrs. Ressler,
Julius Scholl (2).

Catholic Fair.

Last night was the last night of the
Catholic Fair at the opera house that
has been running more than two weeks.
The fair has been more than usually
successful, the crowd at the finish being
larger than at any one time. In the
contest for the lot on Madison avenue,
Miss Kittie Tague won, and her oppo-
nent, Miss Mollie Lowery, was present-
ed with a lady's gold watch.

The lot contest was called for open
voting at 12 o'clock. Fred Hanlon,
Eli Rosenthal and Mr. Beck were
judges for Miss Tague and Tim Duffy.
Daniel Blackburn and Nicholas Bly
were judges for Miss Lowery, and
Thomas Kabler acted as time-keeper.
Eli Rosenthal held the box
for Miss Tague, and Tim
Duffy held Miss Lowery's. Voting
closed at 12:15 and when count-
ed it was found that Miss Tague had
\$385 or at 25 cents a vote, made 1540
votes. Miss Lowery had \$161 or 644
votes.

The several other contests resulted
as follows:

Miss Mary Duffy won the beautiful
tapestry painting.
Anna Davlin, painting by Mr. Reu-
land.

Mary Lally and Agnes Kelley were
tie on the picture of the Angelus.

Lou Smith, picture of the Immacu-
late Conception.

Belle Duffy, St. Cecelia.

Sadie Turney, jardiniere and palm.

Dora O'Malley, silver knife and
fork.

Gertrude O'Malley, rocking chair.

Anna Drew, rocking chair.

Anna Reilly, hood.

Edward Davlin, roller skates.

George Whalen, pipe.

Lizzie Hermes, doll.

Anna Lowery, lamp.

Emma James, quilt.

Joe Reuland, trip to Sinsinawa, Wis-
consin.

Last of Lincoln's Early Playmates Dead.

The man who was possibly the last
of Lincoln's early playmates, and who
once saved the life of the afterward
great Emancipator, died yesterday
(Washington's birthday anniversary)
on the farm where he had spent all of
his life, near Hogansville, Kentucky.
He was Austin Gallaher. It is only
a few miles from the birthplace of
Lincoln, and later the Lincoln family
moved on an adjoining farm. Abra-
ham was 5 years old then and Austin
was 8. The two got to be very intima-
mate, as they went to school together
for two or three years before Abra-
ham's father moved to Indiana. The
proudest recollection of the old man's
life was that on one occasion when they
were crossing a creek together Abra-
ham slipped off the log bridge and
might have drowned had not Austin
pulled him out. This was the chief
anecdote he told of their early and un-
eventful days. He was too modest to
coin reminiscences, but remembers
that Abe was a good pupil, stood well
in his classes, and studied at night; but
had to miss school a good deal owing to
work on the farm. Mr. Gallaher lack-
ed one month of being 93 years old. In
his early years he was a trader, but he
chiefly devoted himself to farming. He
was of clean character and unpreten-
tious mien, never boasting of his early
intimacy with the immortal Lincoln,
though quite willing to talk about it
when questioned.

May See Hot Service.

Lester Street, a Dixon boy who won
honors as oarsmen while a member of
the Wisconsin University boat crew,
and who went with a friend on a sail-
ing vessel to South America some time
ago, went on board the United States
gun boat, "Castine," at Monte Vedio,
and learning there was a vacancy in
the crew, joined the service. His skill
as an oarsman secured him a position
in the captain's gig. The "Castine"
is now on her way to Cuba, and if war
is declared between the United States
and Spain, Dixon will have an early
representative in the active naval ser-
vice.

Marriage Licenses.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
Harry W. Burket,	Dixon,	27
Maud A. Householder,	Independence, Iowa,	24
Lewis Bartholomew,	S. Dixon,	32
Ann Fielding,	"	32
Frank W. Case,	Meriden, Ill.,	26
Lucy N. Patrick,	Pawpaw,	27
Andrew Kaecker,	Bradford,	23
Martha Weiner,	Ashton,	22

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yourself for a month to come. Plenty
of Specialties aside from Acting, Sing-
ing, Beautiful Costumes, Pretty Chorus
Girls.

—A Bath tramp told the police that
he stole a tub of axle grease, put it up
in small boxes, and peddled it from
house to house as corn salve. He says
he sold two boxes of it to the man
whose axle grease he stole.

An Alaska Party.

The following we clip from an illu-
strated article in Sunday's Chicago In-
ter Ocean. The Dr. Wilcoxon is a
nephew of Mrs. Jacob Brubaker of this
city:

Rev. Frank B. Vrooman, formerly
Dr. Thomas' assistant as pastor of the
People's church, but now general man-
ager of the Klondike, Yukon and Cop-
per River company, has appointed
Dr. L. Orville Wilcoxon of this city
surgeon-in-chief of the company, with
headquarters at Dawson City.

"Dr. Wilcoxon, in discussing the en-
terprise yesterday, said: "The first
expedition of our company will leave
Seattle during the first week in March
and will consist of about twenty men
of whom several will be doctors, for it
is the purpose of our company to send
out a medical man in every prospect-
ing expedition that goes into the gold
fields. These doctors will probably
remain at Dawson City and join the
various expeditions as they leave that
point for the exploring ground. I
shall be in charge of the first expedi-
tion until we reach Juneau, where we
shall be met by Hank Summers, a
man who is perfectly familiar with the
country, having already crossed the
Chilkoot pass sixteen times. Mr. Sum-
mers is one of our board of directors.

"L. N. McQuesten, who is known as
Jack McQuesten all over Alaska and
through the Northwest territories, has
been in that far northern country for
thirty-six years, most of that time as
an official of the Alaska Commercial
company, which has earned millions
for its stockholders. He is president
of the Klondike, Yukon and Copper
River Company, and his wide experi-
ence of the country and its natives, as
well as his intimate knowledge of its
mineral and other resources, will prove
valuable. For instance, it is commonly
supposed that no coal deposits exist as
far north as the Yukon. The fact is,
however, that a vein of bituminous
coal has been found on the Yukon, be-
tween Dawson and Circle City, and
easily accessible, which our company
has secured through Hank Summers,
who discovered it. This valuable
claim will be worked at once, and it is
believed will solve the fuel problem,
which is a mighty important question
in those high latitudes."

A New Robbery Scheme.

Among other new things lately in-
troduced is a scheme for committing
robbery, of which an Iowa exchange
speaks as follows:

If two fellows came to you pretend-
ing to sell a recipe for keeping cider
for many years, and produce a bottle
alleged to contain a sample of cider
bottled by their receipt ten years ago,
don't drink! They will insist, but don't
drink, for the rascals are working this
State with their drugged bottle, whose
contents will quickly produce in you a
delightful unconsciousness from which
you will awake to find yourself robbed of
whatever values are in sight. As it
takes several hours for consciousness
to return, the bottle fiends occasion-
ally loot a house from cellar to attic
and then have ample time to belong to
the unknowable, for they use various
disguises, besides being fleet travelers.
They have tapped many; they may tap
you. Again we urge, don't drink.

A Feline Epidemic.

A peculiar epidemic is destroying all
the cats in some localities. At Web-
ster City, Iowa, over 300 have died and
the highways in the country are strewn
with the carcasses, which ought to be
buried or burned. It is a throat
trouble resembling diphtheria.

Revival Meeting.

At Zion Lutheran church in Nelson
township beginning with this evening,
Rev. C. F. Fickinger will begin a
series of meetings. All are invited.

Cleaver-Bailey Wedding.

A marriage license has been pro-
cured by William H. Bailey of Chana
township Ogle county, and Miss Han-
nah B. Cleaver, of Dixon. The wed-
ding will take place at the home of the
bride's sister, Mrs. J. Garrison, east of
this city, tomorrow, Thursday, at noon,
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Baritone Solo, Fascination.....Barnhouse
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The Relation of Teacher and Parent.
(Concluded.)

All through the school life of the child the parents should be kept informed of his precise progress, where he is weak, where strong, by monthly report cards, tardy notices, absence notices, etc. This is the parents' right, the teacher's duty. But the teacher should be confidential in his relations to the parents. A parent has a right to know all about his own boy, but he has no right to know all about all the other boys in the district, except so far as concerns the associates of his children. A teacher has no right to gossip about his pupils. Nothing is more detestable than a gossiping teacher. Be it said with emphasis that a teacher has no right to disclose the weaknesses which he finds among his pupils. He must go into their homes, he must know the child and its environment; but he must keep the little secrets which he learns locked up, inviolable, in his own bosom. He who would betray them is unworthy of his great calling.

Thus far we have discussed the relation of teacher and parent from the side of the teacher, as though his relationship were positive and the parent's merely negative. But the subject, we are happy to observe, contemplates another side, the relation of the parent to the teacher; in which the parent, if we mistake not, has some positive obligations resting upon him. For years and years in school journals and associations the teacher has had preached to her, her duties, her obligations, her responsibilities. And to each new sermon she has responded nobly until she has advanced, in our opinion, far beyond her constituents. And still the sermons come. Few duties, new obligations, new responsibilities are being laid upon her yearly, until in despair she asks, "Is there no end?" Yes, there is an end. If there is a class of people on earth who, because of the heroic deeds they have accomplished in the face of great obstacles, and the long suffering they have endured here below, will be passed through the pearly gates in a body, without "examination," it is the school teachers of these United States of America.

It is time that a crusade were waged on the homes. We believe that thoughtful teachers will agree that the present unsatisfactory results of our labors in trying to properly educate the youth, are due far more to a lack of proper supplementary work of our labor by the parents than to our own mistakes and shortcomings.

Secondly, now, the relation of the parent to the teacher.

We have no patience with the idea that all the responsibility of the child's education rests upon the teacher. There are certain duties which devolve upon the parents, besides furnishing us with children and raising the taxes to pay our salaries.

First, we frankly admit that all parents are not responsible. We cheerfully admit that all teachers are responsible. We would like to disclaim responsibility for some of our mistakes, but in the main the proposition holds that we have no business teaching unless we are responsible. But in the case of parents we know that a great many of them have no business to have children. They are not qualified in any sense to rear them. Unfortunately such parents are sure to have the greater number. And they are sent to school to place upon us the double burden of being both teacher and parent to their unfortunate offspring. In this discussion we shall ignore the relation of such parents to the teacher entirely, further than to say that the teacher must supply their lack of responsibility by carrying it, in large degree, for them. But we shall confine our discussion to those parents who are responsible, without asking them to assume any responsibility for their irresponsible brethren, further than to see that their children are compelled to come to us and receive their portion of the free, public education which the state designs shall be furnished to all alike, whether they would be pleased to accept it or reject it.

The parent's relation to the teacher begins before the latter is employed. It begins with the election of the school board. If the parent would have a good teacher, let him see to it that a good board be chosen. Parents too often err in this matter. It is the duty of every responsible parent to attend the annual school election, to see to it that only good men are chosen for this high office. There are but few in most districts who are qualified for this position.

The board member should be a man of education and educationally inclined. He should be a judge of human nature, not susceptible to flattery, nor daunted by abuse. A man of some leisure, if possible, that he may have time to do more than draw up a contract with the teacher and sign her monthly orders. Of good judgment, free from prejudices, and with no axes to grind. He will give better service in most cases, if he is a parent himself; but not one that thinks his children are a little better than other children. He should not be a politician. For the sake of the purity of the schools, keep them as

far away from politics as possible. If he have no relations who think they can teach school by aid of his valuable assistance, it will be better. Though because a teacher has a relative who is a board-member, it does not necessarily follow that she is a failure. With such a board as we have outlined, the affairs of the district are safe. Give them the opportunity and they will build up a good school. Keep them in office as long as they will serve. They may make mistakes occasionally, but will right them.

When the school board, in behalf of the patrons, has employed a teacher, she has a right to expect that the responsible parents will receive her cordially, and give her every assistance possible to make a good school. But parents sometimes neglect this necessary first step toward their teacher, preferring to hold aloof until she has proven her mettle, so to speak. And it not infrequently happens that a patron refuses to support a teacher, because he does not like the school board who hired her; as if the poor teacher were responsible for the short comings of her school board. If there is a patron within the sound of my voice, I beseech you, always give your teacher a hearty welcome. Don't force her to show her mettle before you will believe in her. She may have more than you think. At any rate, she needs it as a reserve force, rather than to waste it on you. Receive her heartily, support her loyally until you find that she is not the right teacher for you, and then get rid of her as gracefully as you can, charitably sparing her scalp-lock if she had one when she entered your midst.

We emphasized the duty of teachers' cultivating sociability. This duty is no less incumbent on the parent, with the added duty of hospitality. When the new teacher enters the district, the parents should lose no time in establishing their lines of communication. If there is any use of building costly school houses and paying good salaries, if there is any use of having a teacher at all, the parents should make her just as efficient as possible, by giving her all the aid possible. Teachers know what parents do this, and what parents do not. They know who receive them in a proper manner and who do not.

The first advancement which the parent should make toward the teacher is a social call. Teachers appreciate this courtesy. It need not be long. It takes but a few minutes to assure the teacher that she is welcome in the district, that the parent is deeply interested in the school, and desires to assist the teacher all she can, that she will visit the school soon, and hopes that the teacher will call,—all of which should come from the heart; and rest assured, it will go straight to the heart. The ice having been thus broken, the restraint thrown off, the parent should next seek the teacher at school. Because of that social call, the teacher's face will beam with pleasure, no embarrassment will ensue, and the parent will see natural work going on. Are parents aware that much of the bad work which they witness is caused by embarrassment, the teacher not knowing for just what purpose the patron has come? When it is not possible for the parent to first make the social call, a cordial note should be sent to the teacher, of the same tenor as the call. How many parents introduce themselves to us by either of these methods?

At the school, parents should feel free to ask about things which they do not understand, should not be afraid, as the expression goes, of exposing their ignorance; and the teacher should be candid in her answers. Much good may come of these inquiries. The parent learns the workings of the school and the reasons for the methods of instruction; and sometimes, thereby, the teacher learns that she is not doing everything just the best way. These questions the parent has a right to ask, they should be desired by the teacher, for by them the views of teacher and parent may be brought nearer together, and the school thereby bettered.

The only stipulation should be that these questions be asked in a spirit of inquiry rather than criticism. It may often happen that ways which seem dark to the parent, will be made light and satisfactory, by a few judicious questions; or that the teacher may discover an erroneous method and abandon it. We suspect that many a parent has gone away feeling uncertain as to whether the teacher were really doing the right thing in some particular. The parent should always bear in mind that, as an employer, he has a right to inquire fully into the details of the work going on, and he should not be deterred by fear of exposing his ignorance.

The parent should not draw hasty conclusions. Whether his first visit to the teacher at work, be satisfactory or not, he should visit the school again and often; that is the only way he can judge of its efficiency. Some teachers start out with apparently fair promise, that do not fulfill expectations; while some start out with poor promise, but wear like iron. The parent cannot judge the teacher's efficiency by the opinions of his children. Their judgment is at

best, faulty. Some very poor teachers are well liked by their pupils. Some very good ones need to be supported by home influence. Children do not always know what is good for them. If children are improving, they will show it at home. But sometimes when they do not show an improvement, the fault does not lie with the teacher. In either case the parent should visit the school. In the one case to confirm and establish the good understanding, for which he has reason to be glad; in the other case to discover the seat of difficulty, to correct it by counsel with the teacher, or by the exercise of parental authority. Oftimes the teacher will be wrong. We are not infallible. At such times it is best not to harbor feelings of injustice, or to relieve them broadcast over the district, but to go direct to the teacher, and lay the grievance before her. The teacher will thank the parent for the discretion and the wrong will be righted. Parents should never go to the teacher in anger. Not that anger and resentment will not sometimes arise; but wait till they subside. Teachers are sometimes high spirited, too, and in five minutes of an angry interview, words may pass that will destroy the good understanding that might otherwise have been maintained. Parents should hear both sides of a story before forming an opinion. Too much credence should not be placed in the child. They often come home with very fishy stories, they view things from an immature standpoint, and on very rare occasions they have been known to tell an out-and-out lie. In all these cases an interview with the teacher will conduce greatly to the child's benefit.

Parents of children who have mental or physical debilities, or peculiarities of character or disposition, should lose no time in frankly informing the teacher. A world of trouble may be averted by the teacher knowing these things before discovering them by distressing experience. Parents should not hesitate by any feeling of shame or false modesty. These misfortunes are not a disgrace to either parent or offspring, they are simply misfortunes.

Teachers are employees of parents. They are directly responsible to each parent for the whole work done on his child. But they are not servants. Although they carry heavy burdens, they are not beasts of burden, subject to the lash—the tongue lash—of every irate parent who has a real or fancied grievance. Little effusions like the following are not as rare as they might be.

"I shall see the board this p. m. in regard to punishment inflicted on my boy this morning. I want you to understand that if chastisement is necessary, I want it administered in the proper manner, not like a wild beast flying at a child. If you were a gentleman I should come and find out the particulars, but as you are a brute I disdain to lower myself to do so. I just want to say to you, do not dare to say, or lay a finger on either of my children again at your peril; if Miss — has no discipline over her pupils, she had better give up her room."

Here is another view of the teacher's sphere:

"I sincerely regret that you have been thus bothered by my boy, and I feel deeply the enormity of the offense. I further desire to heartily thank you for your prompt action in correcting him, and, as well, your kindness in notifying me. Your note was a surprise to me, and pained me the more because I have taken pains to properly warn and train him that he might be of a clean and wholesome mind. I shall be more thoroughly on guard now. I trust and expect he will not offend again."

"Again thanking you for your kind interest in him, I remain."

This recognizes that the teacher is more than a mere employee. It recognizes that, like the artist, the physician, the lawyer, or the minister, he is employed to do a kind of work which his patrons cannot do for themselves. That his work is professional. That his services cannot be measured by dollars and cents. That he carries responsibilities co-equal with the parent's. That many a letter, written, as you will observe, by one of culture, recognizes conditions, and sets forth the relationship which should exist between parent and teacher, as I would like finally to leave it in your minds.

Teacher and parent are the two vitalizing forces which, with God's help, will make of that man's son or any other son, a man. These two forces must work in harmony. If they pull apart the child is lost. If they work wisely in unison, unbounded good will result.

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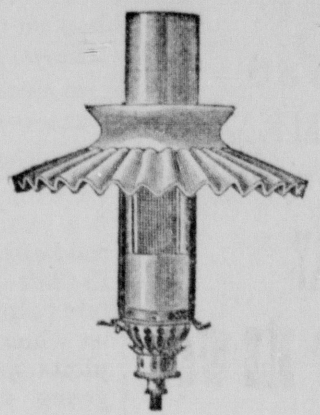
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WOMAN'S WORLD.

A NEW PALMIST TAKEN UP BY NEW YORK SOCIETY FOLK.

Women as Librarians—Freedom Among Burmese Women—Says She Is Shaky as to Cows—Mistakes of Modern Woman. The Girl In Business.

Society's very latest fad and greatest drawing card at an afternoon reception is a palmist, who reads the secrets of the head and heart through the palm of the left hand and tells the owner of the fair palm her white sins. And the palmist whom society has taken up and exploits as something really new is a young woman of noble birth, whose parents occupy a high court position in Poland.

She is Mlle. Cleo Marie de Palkowska, 23 years of age, and she has already appeared in half a dozen of the most exclusive homes of New York.

Her reading of the palm is altogether different from that of palmists who have flourished hitherto, and many fashionable society women have hastened to bring her into their homes for their afternoon receptions and teas.

A palmist and a fine collation are two of the most powerful cards for a full house at an afternoon reception, and both are rarely found together at the same entertainment. Mlle. de Palkowska has created quite a stir both by her hand reading and the fact that she comes of a noble Polish house. Her father is a general in the Polish army, and her grandfather was a marshal in the court of King Augustus of Poland. Mlle. de Palkowska has been in this country but three months, but her entree to society was speedy on account of her remarkable talent.

Mlle. de Palkowska was introduced to New York society at a reception given by Mrs. Richard Lounsbery at her



Mlle. de Palkowska.

home, 12 East Thirty-fifth street. There Mlle. Marie told secrets not only of the persons whose hands she read, but of their families as well, and told them what they had to fear through heredity.

An incident occurred at Mrs. Lounsbery's reception that was Mlle. de Palkowska's first "hit," as it were, in creating the palmistry fad. While she read the palms of many women who were curious to know how she did it, a well known society woman approached and said: "Mademoiselle, look at my hand. Cheiro has told me there is suicide in it. Tell me if I shall commit suicide."

"Ah, madam," answered the Polish girl, studying her hand intently, "there has been suicide in your family some time long before you. There is trace of it still. I see suicidal tendencies in the lines, but the will can overcome them."

Others pressed forward to have their palms read, and each was told what she was best fitted for and what talents she possessed, musical or otherwise.

Mlle. de Palkowska speaks in a pretty broken English that lends a charm to her palm reading. She is very serious with it, however, and says she has advanced it to a science.

Much against the wishes of her relatives at the Polish capital, Mlle. de Palkowska came to this country three months ago and went to live with her married sister at 132 West Twelfth street.

Through some distant relatives in this country she was introduced into the exclusive society set of Flushing and appeared in a number of homes there. She first read palms at a reception given by Mrs. Howells of Flushing. Her attractive face and manners won her a ready recognition.

She was soon heard of in New York and taken up by the fashionable set.—New York Herald.

Freedom Among Burmese Women.

Women in Burma are probably freer and happier than they are anywhere else in the world. Though Burma is bordered on one side by China, where women are held in contempt, and on the other by India, where they are kept in the strictest seclusion, Burmese women have achieved for themselves and have been permitted by their men to attain a freedom of life and action that has no parallel among oriental peoples. The secret lies perhaps in the fact that the Burmese woman is active and industrious, while the Burmese man is indolent and often a recluse. Becoming, therefore, both by taste and by habit, the money earner, the bargainer and the financier of the household, she has asserted and obtained for herself the right to hold what she wins and the respect due to one who can and does direct and control.

Things are strangely reversed in Burma, for here we see man as the religious soul of the nation and woman its brain. Burmese women are born traders, and it is more often the wife than the husband who drives the bargain with the English buyer for the paddy harvest, or at any rate she is present on the occasion and helps her easy going husband to stand firm. So highly is trading esteemed that a daughter of well to do

parents and even a young married woman will set up a booth in the bazaar, and, dressed in a bright silk tunic (skirt) and white jacket, with a flower jauntily stuck into her coiled black tresses, she will start every morning with a tray of sweetmeats, fruit or toys on her head and with a gayety and grace born of the sunshine and the bounteousness of the land will push a brisk trade all through the short and sunny day. The earnings thus made are the woman's own and cannot be touched by her husband.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Women as Librarians.

Mr. John Russell Young, librarian of congress, is reported as saying that the experiment of employing women in the library of congress has not been successful. Reports coming from readers there would lead us to agree with him. What better could have been expected from a bevy of novices, knowing nothing whatever of library work? In libraries where assistants are carefully selected, on the ground either of a good library experience or of a library school education, the experiment of employing women has never failed and never will fail. When female assistants are appointed without regard to fitness, because they have the support of influential senators or representatives—and this is exactly the method in which all but the heads of departments have been appointed in the late reorganization of the library of congress—the experiment of employing women is sure to fail, not because they are women, but because they are incompetent.

Men so appointed would have only this one point of superiority—more of them probably would have had some business training which could be turned to account. On the other hand, men appointed in such ways to such positions are not unlikely to be persons who have failed in other attempts to earn their living, whereas the women may never have tried, and more of them may possess ability and adaptability. But the whole system is wrong. Mr. Young's declaration is only another proof of the wisdom of those who wished to have the new corps of the congressional library appointed after a civil service examination. That method may not perhaps give the best possible body of assistants, but at least does not, like the appointment by influence, give the worst possible corps.—New York Nation.

Says She Is Shaky as to Cows.

Miss Annie Metcalf of Denver has just been appointed as warden on the staff of Game Commissioner Swan of Colorado. Miss Metcalf is well qualified for the practical duties of the position. She is an expert rifle and revolver shot and can handle most weapons as dexterously as any man. She is also a clever horsewoman, and as a daring, dashing rider is without an equal among her sex in this state. She has broken vicious bronchos, and nothing delights her more than to tackle a "bucker" that has been pronounced unbreakable. While guns and revolvers, red Indians, vicious bronchos and wild beasts have no terrors for the young woman, the sight of a cow is enough to give her nervous prostration.

"Yes," she said, "I cannot deny it. I am deathly afraid of a cow and would ride farther to get out of the road of one than I would from a band of redskins. I do not fear mice in the least, like some women, but a cow is my worst enemy. If I should be sent out to Routt county to fight Indians or run down game violators, Mr. Swan would have to give me a guarantee that there were no cows in the vicinity or I would hesitate about going. I was chased by a cow about two weeks ago and had a hideous experience. I ran an awful way and had to climb a telegraph pole."

There is only one other woman game warden in the United States. Her name is Mrs. Warren Neal, and she serves on the staff of the game commissioner of Michigan.—Philadelphia Record.

Mistakes of Modern Woman.

In an article on "Nervous Tension" in The Woman's Home Companion Florence Hull Winterburn thus arraigns the woman active in church, social and philanthropic life:

"The modern woman is conscientious to a fault, but she feels responsible for many affairs that her grandmother calmly left to supreme power. She does not wish to resign any of her old prerogatives, but she does want to assume every new one that comes within her reach. But there is a side to the question that has not received serious enough consideration. Woman's will and ambition are unlimited, but her nerve power is limited. Nothing so speedily wastes this, our most precious possession, as the stress and anxiety that follow the attempt to crowd too many things into our lives, and things that are essentially incongruous—never meant to belong together. It is an exception to sane mind that adheres to its own special duties and leaves to others what belongs of right to them. The vaulting ambition of the feminine mind should not overleap the practical consideration of altruism. It is selfish to want to perform all the work of the world. We owe it to men not to force them to degenerate into a race of shirks. Besides, there is another thing to be thought of. It would be unpleasant for us if they altogether forgot how to work by the time we are ready to give something up for them to do."

The Girl In Business.

"You may meet your employer socially," writes Ruth Ashmore in an article on "The Business Girl and Her Employer" in The Ladies' Home Journal, "but during the hours that you are in the office you are employed by him, and you have no right to claim, and he has no right to ask, any social recognition. You can always be polite. You need not be hard hearted, and there can be without harm an exchange of pleasant words. But during business hours there is wisdom in attending to your business and doing nothing else. Your self respect should not allow you to be free in your manner with the different clerks

who are your companions, and you should be wise enough not to have a confidant in the office.

"No matter who your employer is, you cannot afford to accept luncheons, drives, flowers or any special social recognition from him. I do not mean that all men are bad. Again, I thank God there are thousands of good men, but masculine human nature is weak, and when things have gone wrong at home there is an immense satisfaction to the average man in getting a sweet sympathy, which he probably does not deserve, from a pretty, charming girl who believes in him. But you are hired to work, not to cater to the emotions of your employer, and when you are doing your work faithfully you are doing all that you are paid for."

The Latest Skirts.

The latest skirts are so close fitting around the hips that there is very little room for any petticoat underneath, which fact suggests the possibility of its being abolished altogether. But this is hardly probable, and the skirtmakers are as busy as ever bringing out all sorts of novel and attractive models to tempt feminine fancy. One of the latest designs in silk for petticoats is in three shades of one color, each in a bayadere stripe fully an inch wide. The darkest, medium and lightest shades follow each other in successive bands. The fashionable silk skirt, however, is not confined to any one style of silk. Anything and everything is made up into this fascinating garment—brocaded silks, shot and plain, striped and figured taffeta, peau de soie, satin and grosgrain. The chief aim is to make them very full, with innumerable ruffles to set out the gown at the bottom. They may be pinked, hemmed, corded and trimmed with lace, but there must be no stinting in the quantity of material used. Lining the lower part of the skirt, which is a Spanish flounce, with wool albatross is a good plan for winter skirts, as it adds warmth where it is needed and helps the silk to wear longer.—New York Sun.

Honoring Nancy Hanks.

The proposition to place a memorial over the grave of Nancy Hanks, the mother of Lincoln, is the thought of a woman. It originated in the brain of Nellie G. Robinson, who practices law in New York and Washington and who has interested Senator Fairbanks and Congressman Zenor of Indiana in the project.

"The grave of the mother of one of our greatest men," said Miss Robinson, "lies in an out of the way place, neglected and forgotten, in Spencer county, near Lincoln City, Ind. We owe it to the past and rising generation as well as to ourselves to erect a national memorial over this grave. We ought not to let patriotism become a lost art. I feel interested in the matter from patriotic and local reasons, for I was born near Lincoln City. I think congress ought to appropriate \$10,000, and the bill which is to be introduced will ask for that amount."—Washington Post.

A New Material.

The newest material which is to appear in the early spring is called mouline natte. It is like the canvas of a few seasons ago, but softer and more delicate. The surface is speckled, and it comes in aesthetic shades of Dresden blue, gray and mauve. A particularly soft French cashmere, which is at once firm, elastic, thin and light, is also to be introduced. In Japanese blue it is particularly pretty. A rich and hand some fabric is a satin striped poplin called eolienne. Tucked and crinkled crepon to be sold by the yard is odd and most convenient for the woman who sews and knows the labor of making tucks. The effect is exactly the same as when tucked by hand in mousseline de soie or gauze. An embroidery striped canvas is also new and will probably take the place of the trimmed and lace insertion skirt.—New York Commercial.

Turbans and Toques.

Pretty little feather turbans and toques are again shown that are a positive pleasure to look at after the fall and winter craze for the cart wheel styles, with feathers flying hither and yon. The crowns of these close little models are more frequently plain than indented, the brims rolling, the shape round often than long and oval, and the whole made of lapping tips of pheasants' or doves' feathers, with aigrets in front rising from a mass of tufts and pompons. Other hats are covered smoothly with glossy plumage, beautifully shaded, the feathers arranged to match with the shot and ombre effects in novelty dress goods, velvets and silks and satins in dark rich colorings used for waists and dress accessories this season.—New York Letter.

Mrs. J. Howard Kelly has been appointed by Judge Tully of Chicago official stenographer for his branch of the circuit court. She is the first woman to be appointed an official stenographer in Cook county, and consternation is said to reign among the court reporters.

Dr. Eva G. Golden, a successful optician from the Postgraduate school of Chicago, is doing active work in Kensington, Kan. Dr. Golden is a graduated pharmacist, and for six years was cashier of the Exchange bank at Cedarville.

A new club recently opened in Edinburgh is appropriately and loyally named the Victorian. It is essentially a club for professional women, and it is intended to hold monthly debates and entertainments.

A traveling library is to be started by the women's clubs of Utah, to be made up by the contribution of one book from every woman belonging to the state federation.

Mrs. Ida Faye Levering, M. D., is the physician in charge of the new Baptist Mission hospital for women and children at Nellore, India.

THE MODERN WARSHIP

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LESSONS OF THE MAINE DISASTER.

It Strengthens the Argument Against Building Battleships—The Horrible Possibilities of Modern Warfare—Chairman Boutelle Defends Our Naval Policy.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—[Special.]—One result of the disaster to the Maine in Havana harbor is an increase of the outcry against constructing great battleships for naval purposes. This sentiment is growing in congress and it may be difficult to secure appropriations for any considerable number of such vessels in the future. The objection raised to building craft of this type is that they are too easily destroyed. It is putting too many eggs in one basket. Over at Havana a great modern fighting engine which cost this government complete more than \$3,000,000 went to the bottom in a few hours, carrying with it 260 precious lives. If a single explosion will cause such a tremendous loss, wrecking the whole of a ship and weakening the navy of which it is a part, men are asking what will be the fate of battleships in case of a naval war?

Naval experts who are not wedded to any particular form of construction tell me that the next big war the world has upon the sea will develop the most terrific destruction of property and life that was ever witnessed. Huge ships that cost \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000 each, and which carry from 500 to 900 men, will go to pieces like eggshells. There will be a terrific crashing of steel, a deafening explosion of dynamite, gun cotton and powder, vain cries for help, blinding flashes of fire, and then nothing but a few bits of floating wreckage to mark where a noble ship floated but a short time before.

These great modern fighting craft are almost as dangerous from within as from without. They are vast repositories of electricity, explosives and chemicals. Despite all precautions taken by their builders and officers, despite all the adjuncts which science can suggest and ingenuity devise, a shot from the gun of an enemy may explode a magazine or the gun cotton carried for the torpedoes and wreck the whole vessel. When the next great naval engagement comes on, there will be many such scenes as that which the panickstricken people of Havana witnessed in their harbor a few nights ago. Instead of one ship resolved into a volcano, a floating hell for the poor sailors caught between her decks, there will be a half dozen or perhaps a score riddled by shell, exploded, burned, blackened, charred, turned into charnel houses.

A Foretaste of Modern War.

Modern development of the hearts of naval construction, of ordnance of explosives, of projectiles, has produced fighting machines which are terrible monsters. Lucky the ship that goes through an engagement with an enemy without having her magazines exploded by concussion. Lucky the sailor boys who escape being blown to pieces by their own petards. Literally, say naval experts with whom I have talked, the issue of a naval engagement between ships of equal class is going to be largely a matter of luck as to which side suffers most from its own explosives, from eruptions within its own walls of steel.

In the disaster at Havana the American people have had just a slight foretaste of what modern naval war is likely to be. Instead of a single crew decimated till but a remnant remains, war will show us many such calamities. Instead of 260 dead sailors to bury and their families to provide for, we shall have thousands. Nevertheless there is no fear of war here. In Washington there has not been a great deal of war talk, though, of course, it would be impossible for such events as those of the last two weeks to fail to produce in some men's minds an eagerness to get at the enemy and to solve a situation which must be productive of irritation as long as it continues. Much comfort is taken by well informed men in Washington in the fact that this country is ready for war if war comes, that we have for a long time been carefully and systematically preparing for it. I have already outlined in these dispatches to your paper the precautions taken by our government, and I could give many more facts showing that when the dread word is passed, if it ever is, the United States will be able to jump into the field ready to deal decisive blows with amazing rapidity.

Chairman Boutelle's Opinion.

As to the objections raised against construction of more battleships since the Maine went up in fire and shock, Chairman Boutelle of the naval committee of the house tells me the critics go too far. While it is true that in the event of disaster to a naval vessel of first class type the loss will be great, he points out that all the nations of the world are building more and more such ships, and it is too much to believe that all the world is mistaken. Furthermore, the development of commercial shipbuilding is along the same lines, toward larger and larger ships. While merchant ships do not have to take the risks of explosives and projectiles, as battleships do, they must incur all the hazards of navigation, of storms, of accidents to their machinery and boilers and to their shafts and screws. Still the big steamship companies go on constructing bigger and bigger steamers. They are not afraid to put all their eggs in a few baskets.

"When men tell me we must stop building battleships because once in 20 or 30 years a ship of that class blows up," said Mr. Boutelle, "I reply by saying that so must we stop building locomotives because now and then one explodes. We must abandon railways because frequently accidents occur by derailment or collision. We must stop putting up tall buildings because here and there one is wrecked by a storm with loss of life. No, I do not believe the world will abandon battleships because disaster overtook the Maine."

Others whose opinions are also entitled to weight say that the loss of the Maine has demonstrated with what ease a ship of the first class can be destroyed. One little torpedo, one shot from a high power gun, and it is all over. Therefore, they say, our development of the future navy of the United States should be along different lines, retaining a few battleships, of course, for coast defense and harbor work, but building more and more torpedo boats and small ships carrying one or two high power guns. In simple language, they argue for a division of the risks and an increase of the number of ships with the same expenditure and force of men.

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A Diplomat at Washington Tells How Differently Such Terrible News Would Have Affected the People of Any Other Country—Our Government Inspires Respect.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—[Special.]—For one thing in connection with the disaster to the Maine in Havana harbor the American people are highly praised by foreigners. This is their self control, their poise, their patience and their calmness in a time of great public excitement and irritation. I was talking with a distinguished member of the diplomatic corps on this point today, and he said:

"The manner in which your people have borne themselves during this trying ordeal has commanded the admiration of the world. If such a disaster had happened to a battleship belonging to any other nation under similar circumstances, the chances are there would have been a tremendous explosion of public sentiment and some hasty action by the government. France would simply have gone wild. If the government had not acted with sufficient heat and promptness to please the fury of the mob, the streets of Paris would have been filled with rioters. The government would have been compelled to do something to appease popular clamor. In Spain there would have been a similar outburst. Were the conditions reversed, and a Spanish warship had been blown up in Key West or New York, I venture to say General Woodford, the American minister at Madrid, would have been compelled to flee for his life. His residence would have been sacked by a mob. The government in very self defense would have found it necessary to take some aggressive action.

"Even in Berlin or London," continued this diplomat, now getting nearer his own country, "I doubt if there would have been as much self control on the part of the people as that shown by you Americans. There would have been more of a popular outburst. If it were a German ship lost under such circumstances, the emperor probably would have rushed into some hasty and ill advised action in order to please the people and to show what he could do when the honor and the interests of the empire were assailed. In London I believe the government would have kept its head, though I doubt if the people could have conducted themselves with more calmness than Americans did when they learned that the Maine had been destroyed. Certainly the press of England would not have shown any better self control than that evinced by the best class of newspapers in the United States. In my opinion, England and this country are the only ones that would have met such a calamity with strength of character and patience, as a great people should meet such a thing.

Conservation of Congress.

"It was admirable the way your government and your members of congress behaved during the first few days. They did nothing to add to the popular excitement. They were careful to give it out from the first that until the cause of the disaster was known to be something else they could do nothing but assume it to have been an accident. Your president kept his head, and so did your administrative officers. Congress, somewhat to the surprise of members of the diplomatic corps, did likewise. No efforts were made either in house or senate to take advantage of the situation to harass public feeling. No disturbing speeches were made or dangerous resolutions offered. I took occasion to mingle a good deal with prominent men here at your capital those first dreadful days, when the full particulars of the calamity were coming over the wires, and in no quarter did I observe anything but calmness and patience and a determination to know the truth before taking action. The very calmness of your people was to me most significant. It showed me that you could be patient in the face of the greatest provocation, but it showed me also that your very calmness betokened a spirit which no nation can afford to trifle with. It is my solemn belief that if the United States finds it necessary to go to war with Spain you will do it with an energy and skill which will astonish the world. Once your patience is exhausted and that calm waiting period is at an end the power you have to fight will do well to look out for what happens next.

"I have heard a good deal of talk to this effect among the members of our diplomatic corps," concluded the foreigner. "We all have gained respect for America and Americans during the last fortnight. In the face of a most provoking insult from a former minister of Spain, followed by irritating slowness on the part of the Madrid government in making the proper disavowal, your people have kept their tempers. Then came the awful disaster at Havana, and still you did not get excited. Your patience and consideration are remarkable. Long before now, if England or France or Germany or Russia had the same relations to Spain and Cuba that you have, it would have taken the island by force. That is what you will have to do in the end—make my prediction."

Such praise as this from an observing member of the diplomatic corps, a man experienced in the politics and governments of the world, is a compliment well worth having. That seems to be the verdict of the foreign press, too, and members of the McKinley administration and prominent leaders of both political parties here say it is a good thing that we have managed our affairs in such a way that if it becomes necessary to have trouble with Spain over Cuba we shall enjoy the approval of the civilized world.

Spain Has No Ally.

It is well known to President McKinley that for a year or more Spain has been seeking the aid and comfort of other powers of Europe. It is not believed she has made any headway in this direction. Unless our ambassadors and ministers at the various courts of Europe are woefully mistaken, Spain has not the sign of an ally on the other side of the water. Germany and France might wish some guarantee for their citizens who are holders of Cuban bonds, but if the United States would give that, which it could easily do, these two powers would not be likely to interfere. England would surely be on the side of the United States so far as diplomatic pressure and moral support are concerned, and Russia would be likely to imitate her. The ambassador of one of the greatest nations of Europe told me a day or two ago that the United States can do what it likes with Spain, and no European power will object.

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Stopping the Interest.

Daniel Webster once dined with an old Boston merchant, and when they came to the wine a dusty old bottle was carefully decanted by the servant and passed to the host. Taking the bottle, he filled Webster's glass and handed it to him. Then, pouring out another for himself, he held it to the light and said: "How do you like it, Mr. Webster?" "I think it is a fine specimen of old port."

"Now, can you guess what it cost me?" asked the host.

"Surely not," said Webster. "I only know that it is excellent."

"Well, now, I can tell you, for I made a careful estimate the other day. When I add the interest to the first price, I find that it cost me the sum of just 5 shillings per glass."

"Good gracious! You don't say so?" cried Webster. And then, draining his glass, he presented it again, with the remark:

"Fill it up again as quick as you can, for I want to stop that confounded interest."—Nuggets.

Valuable Pottery.

An interesting story is told of Lady Helen de Hangest-Genlis, who started a small pottery on her estate, chateau d'Oiron, about 1524. In this factory was made the famous Faience d'Oiron. She was a widow, cultured and very artistic. A collection of her crayon portraits is said to have been preserved, but it was in the manufacture of china that she made a name for herself. Not more than 50 pieces of Faience d'Oiron are now known to be in existence. All of them are small, but of surpassing beauty. They are supposed to have been made as gifts for friends. They have an inlaid ornament of interlacing bands or scrolls, arabesques and geometrical forms of tinted clays, yellow and brown, relieved with soft colors on a cream white ground, forming a smooth surface and covered with a soft glaze.—Art Amateur.

Explained.

"Who is that stout lady over there?" "That's Mrs. Spriggins of the Ladies' Whist club. She's the only woman in the club who never asked, 'What is trumps?'"

"Quite remarkable!" "Yes. She has some kind of an impediment in her speech that prevents her from pronouncing words that begin with t."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

An Omitted Particular.

"These here city folks may be purty smart in some ways," said Uncle Reuben, "but they're away behind us Pokeberry county people in one respect."

"What's that?" asked his nephew. "Why, these here guidpows you have on your crossroads tell which directions the streets is in all right, but I notice it never says how far it is to 'em."—Chicago Post.

Either Way.

Mrs. Gray—You say Mrs. Greene disagreed with everything I said? Just like her! She never is on the right side of any question.

Mrs. Brown—You misunderstood me. I said she agreed with everything you said.

Mrs. Gray—H'm! That's a way she has of currying favor.—Boston Transcript.

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May.....	.26½	.27	.26½	.26½
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Pork—				
May.....	10.75	10.90	10.75	10.82
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May.....	5.20	5.30	5.20	5.27

THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:20 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:

Generally fair tonight and Thursday, except snow flurries in north-east portion tonight. Colder tonight.

WEATHER REPORT.
 For the week commencing Feb. 20, '98.

	T. M.	P. M.	P. M.	Max	Min.	Precip.
Sun.	24	22	19	32	19	.15
Mon.	19	25	22	26	18	.07
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Wed.	23	24	—	—	14	—
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—E. A. Bartholomew is quite ill again.

—H. L. Emerson is a visitor from Oregon.

—Thomas H. Eustace is out from Chicago.

—Harry Crabtree is celebrating his birthday today.

—A. F. Fruden of Dubuque is at the Nachusa House.

—Procure your tickets early for the band concert and avoid the rush.

—Daniel Curran went to Chicago this morning to visit his son Charles.

—William Reynolds, a former Dixon boy, is out from Chicago on business.

—See band concert program elsewhere, which takes place at the Methodist church Thursday evening.

—Miss McIntire, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. L. Shaw, returned to Mendota this afternoon.

—We will give our readers some extracts from another letter from the Dixon party of Klondikers tomorrow.

—Miss Eva Wygart is in Chicago, and upon her return to Dixon will be employed by Mrs. A. Anderson & Co. as trimmer.

—Hess & McCleary have already paid over to the Seals Laundry proprietors the insurance money for damages by the fire that occurred last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Derr, of West Brooklyn, are visiting their sister, Mrs. C. C. Bowers, on West First street. They are on their return trip from Iowa.

—Miss Margaret E. Kane, superintendent of the Dixon Public Hospital will cease her work there with the ending of this month, Monday next, and until the place is filled Miss Mouna will have charge of the hospital work.

—As a meeting of the National Association of the Daughters of the American Revolution yesterday in Washington it was stated that there were still living two hundred and sixty-eight real daughters of Revolutionary soldiers and their ages averaged ninety-one years.

—A. L. Taylor, on the Wm. Marden farm west of Woosung, will on Monday next, Feb. 28th, have an extensive sale of fine farm stock, consisting of thoroughbred brood sows, choice steers, calves, milch cows, and good horses, and some minor articles. The sale will be cried by Avey & Fahrney, commencing at 12:30 o'clock.

—John H. Ahrens of Sterling, completed a settlement with the adjusters representing the five companies carrying each \$2,000 on his stock. The companies pay \$2,505.10 in cash to settle the loss. Mr. Ahrens will have a big fire sale, commencing on Thursday. None of the goods were destroyed by fire or smoke, at the recent fire in the Y. M. C. A. rooms; the goods simply having been soaked.

—The funeral of Miss Addie Crawford took place as announced yesterday. After a brief preliminary service at the house at 10 o'clock, the casket was borne to the Presbyterian church, where it was met by the young ladies of Miss Crawford's Sunday School class, who acted as escorts to the church. After a brief, but impressive service by her pastor, Rev. A. R. Bickenbach, attentively listened to by a large number of the friends and acquaintances of the deceased, the remains were taken to the Burket cemetery, where the interment took place. The bearers were John Laing, Will Morris, W. B. Johnson, E. H. Moore, W. T. Greig and Harry McCamant.

A Large Appropriation Asked for the Hennepin.

In the sundry civil appropriation bill which was yesterday reported to the House, there is nearly two million dollars for the Hennepin canal. The exact sum is \$1,980,480. It is thought that this will be cut to some extent, but the friends of the canal are confident that a large sum will be appropriated. This means continuous work on the canal and feeder.

Whitehouse-Cropsey Wedding.

At high noon today at the Methodist parsonage Rev. O. H. Cesna performed the ceremony which united in marriage Frank A. Whitehouse and Miss Lillian M. Cropsey. The young couple were assisted in the ceremony by Charles H. Bollman and Miss Elizabeth Cropsey, a sister of the bride. After the wedding the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Cropsey of North Dixon, where a bountiful wedding dinner was enjoyed. The groom is of the tailoring firm of Joseph & Whitehouse of First street and is an industrious young man. He has made an excellent choice for a wife and all wish them long life and happiness.

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WM. H. GRAY would respectfully announce to his friends in Lee County that he will be a candidate for County Treasurer at the coming election, subject to the action of the Republican County Convention.

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the coming Republican County Convention, and respectfully solicit the support of the people throughout the County. THOS. S. CLOUGH. 8*

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the coming Republican County Convention and will appreciate the support of my friends. M. J. MCGOWAN. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the coming Republican County Convention, and shall be glad of the assistance of my friends at the primaries. CHARLES F. FURLEY. d&w

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